

FREDERICK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION January 14, 2015

TITLE: Linganore Town Center PUD

FILE NUMBER: S-829, AP 14678, APFO 14680, FRO 14681,

SWM 14679

REQUEST: Combined Preliminary/Site Development

Plan Approval

The Applicant is requesting Combined Preliminary/Site Development Plan approval for one commercial lot, 1 lot for a community center/pool, and 1,240 residential units, comprised of 136 single family detached, 576 townhouses, 322 multifamily apartments, 96 multifamily condos, and 110 2-over-2 condos on a 240.8-acre site.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

ADDRESS/LOCATION: 5715 Eaglehead Drive, located along Old National Pike,

west of Yeagertown Road

TAX MAP/PARCEL: Tax Map 79, Parcels 6 & 17 COMP. PLAN: Low Density Residential Planned Unit Development

PLANNING REGION: New Market WATER/SEWER: W-4/S-4

APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVES:

APPLICANT: Oakdale Investments, LLC.
OWNER: Oakdale Investments, LLC.
ENGINEER: Rodgers Consulting, Inc.

ARCHITECT: N/A ATTORNEY: N/A

STAFF: Tolson DeSa, Principal Planner II

RECOMMENDATION: Conditional Approval

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit 1-Site Plan Rendering Exhibit 2- Modification Requests

STAFF REPORT

ISSUE

Development Request

The Applicant is requesting Combined Preliminary Subdivision/Site Development Plan approval for 1,240 residential lots, comprised of 136 single family detached, 576 townhouses, and 528 condominium units, on a 240.8-acre site.

Overall Total		1,240 units
Condominium/Apartment Total		528 units
 Multifamily Condo: 3 bedroom 	48 units	
 Multifamily Condo: 2 bedroom 	48 units	
 Multifamily Apartment: 3 bedroom 	49 units	
 Multifamily Apartment: 2 bedroom 	203 units	
 Multifamily Apartment: 1 bedroom 	70 units	
Condominium (stacked, "2 over 2"):	110 units	
 Townhouse Total 		576 units
 Townhouse, Surface Parked 	157 units	
 Townhouse, Rear Load detached 	38 units	
 Townhouse, Rear Load Integral 	207 units	
 Townhouse, Front Load Integral 	174 units	
 Single-family detached Total 		136 units
 Single-family detached: 	136 units	

• Commercial Use Parcel: 12.8 acre parcel

Community Center and Pool

1.85 acre parcel

 The Commercial Parcel and Community Center and Pool will be subject to a separate site plan review process at a later date.

The Project is subject to the requirements of the Frederick County Code, specifically Chapter 1-16 Subdivision Rules and Regulations for the Preliminary Subdivision Plan review, and Section 1-19-3.300 through 1-19-3.300.4 for the Site Development Plan review. The Site Plan portion of the Project is being reviewed as "Townhouses" and "Multifamily dwellings" under the use heading of *Residential* per §1-19-5.310 Use Table in the Zoning Ordinance and is a principal permitted use in the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Zoning District subject to site development plan approval. The property is part of the larger Linganore PUD.

The Project shall also comply with Section 1-19-10.500.6, Land Use, Mixture, and Design Requirements within the PUD District and 1-19-10.500.9 General Development Standards with the Planned Development Districts within the Zoning Ordinance.

Modification Requests

- Parking Space Number & Distribution
- Parking Lot Standards
- Lot Dimensional Requirements
- Building Height Requirements
- Landscape Standards
- Landscape Canopy Coverage

BACKGROUND

Development History

The subject property is zoned Planned Unit Development (PUD). The PUD zoning was applied to the majority of the site (all except what is currently proposed as the northern land bay) in 1968 and has maintained that zoning. The area that is referred to as the northern land bay in the current application received the current PUD zoning in 2013 (Ordinance #13-14-642).

A revised Phase II Plan for the entire Linganore PUD, including the Town Center, was submitted in 2003, and conditionally approved by the Planning Commission on January 14, 2004 with outstanding issues (MPDU, FRO, Transportation, Water/Sewer) to be discussed in a series of subsequent workshops. Eventual Phase II approval for Lake Linganore was granted on November 5, 2007 (at that time, a Phase II PUD Plan was a 'concept' plan, and PUD Phase III referred to a Preliminary Subdivision Plan or Site Development Plan). The 2007 Phase II PUD Plan included a range of 1,200—2,000 dwelling units for the Town Center.

Although the current development application is consistent with the approved Phase II concept plan, the application is being reviewed based on the current PUD provisions in section 1-19-10.500 of the Zoning Ordinance.

In 2013, as part of the PUD Phase I rezoning approval for lands within the Linganore Community Growth Area a Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement (DRRA) and Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance Letter of Understanding (APFO LOU) were approved for the entire Linganore PUD, including the Town Center. The 2013 DRRA and LOU include infrastructure improvements—roads, water/sewer—required for development of all remaining villages within Linganore, including the Town Center.

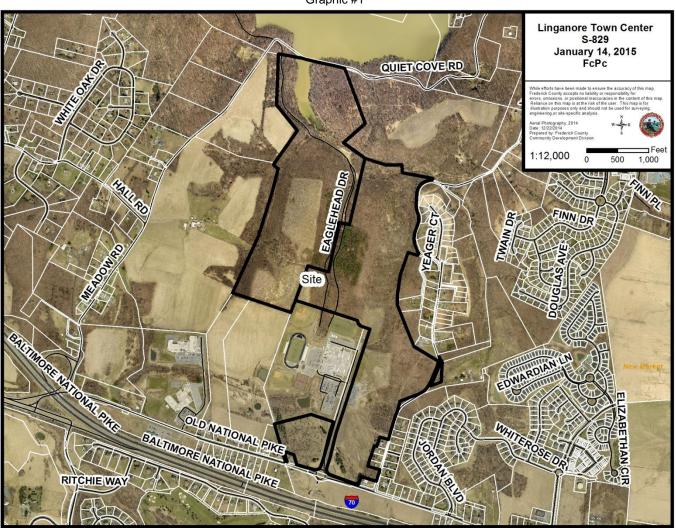
Existing Site Characteristics

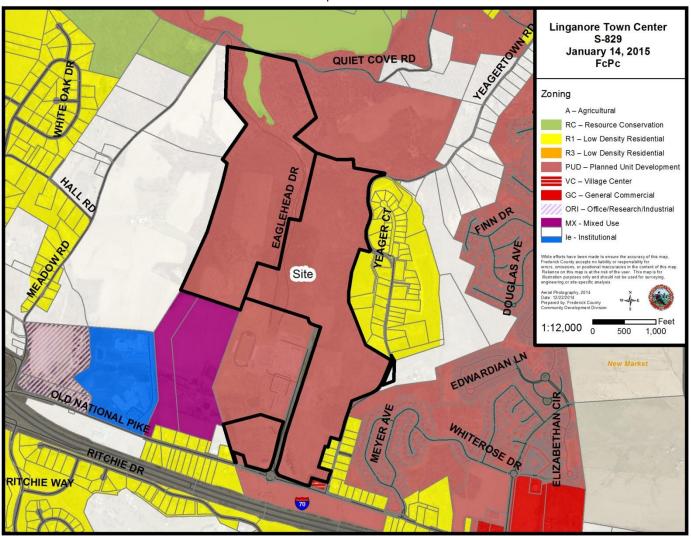
The site is vacant with forested lands, steep slopes, the former alignment of Eaglehead Drive, and a tributary creek to Lake Linganore. See Graphic #1.

The site borders the proposed Oakdale Village project (to the west) which is zoned Mixed Use (MX), as well as the existing R-1 district on both sides of Yeagertown Road to the east. See Graphic #2. The property to the north of the site is a vacant and undeveloped tract within the Lake Linganore PUD. The property to the south is the site of Oakdale High School.

The northern portion of the site contains a second order tributary of Lake Linganore. There are three fingers of NRCS Flooding Soils that run south from this tributary. Two of the fingers are Greenville loam 2 to 5 percent slopes (GvB), with the third as Roche loam 3 to 8 percent slopes (RoB).

The three fingers of flooding soils are located in the lowest areas of the site, this creates two principal areas of developable land which comprises slight to moderate slopes, with some areas of steep slopes in excess of 25%. The two areas of developable land have a topographic elevation range of 430 feet at the far eastern side, to 520 as the land continues west, with the former Eaglehead Drive at 400 feet elevation. The topography of the second developable area continues to rise out of the former road bed to the west to a elevation height of 500 feet, then back down to 380 at the western property boundary.





<u>ANALYSIS</u>

Summary of Development Standards Findings and Conclusions

General Site Development, Layout and Design

The 1,240 unit development is split into four land bays (North, South, East and West). The residential portion includes Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 in the southern area of the site. The plan also proposes a 12.8 acre commercial lot located on the western corner of Old National Pike and Eaglehead Drive, that willbe subject to a separate site development plan review process.

Parcel 1 is located on the corner of Eaglehead Drive and Old National Pike, and comprises twelve (12), 3 story/4 story split (1, 2, & 3 bedroom) apartment buildings, with a combined total unit count of 322.

Parcel 2 is located at the corner of Eaglehead Drive and the proposed Hopewell Street. Hopewell Street will connect Eaglehead Drive with Yeagertown Road. Parcel 2 comprises six (6), 16 unit 2 and 3 bedroom condominium buildings, with a combined total unit count of 96.

The North Land Bay is located at the end of Eaglehead Drive (extended) and borders Lake Linganore. The North Land Bay comprises 88 townhouse dwelling units.

The South Land Bay is located to the north of Parcel 2, and comprises 297 dwelling units consisting of 219 townhouses, and 78 2-over-2 condominium units.

The East Land Bay is directly north of the South Land Bay, and comprises 202 dwelling units consisting of 104 townhouses, 66 single family detached dwellings, and 32 2-over-2 condominium units.

The West Land Bay is located to the west of the East Land Bay along the Town Center Connector (TCC), and comprises 235 dwelling units consisting of 165 townhouses and 70 single family detached dwellings.

The main access point to the Linganore Town Center will be located at the existing intersection of Eaglehead Drive and Old National Pike. The Project is proposing an east-west road, named Hopewell Street that will travel between Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 providing a connection from Eaglehead Drive to Yeagertown Road.

The proposed Hopewell Street is also planned to travel west from the intersection at Eaglehead Drive along the northern side of the 12.8 acre commercial site. This proposed roadway is currently proposed in an alignment that crosses over Board of Education land. The Applicant is currently in negotiations with the Board of Education to gain approval for this alignment.

The TCC is proposed as a minor arterial in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan. The TCC is proposed to travel in an eastern direction from the Meadow Road interchange, along the north side of Oakdale Elementary and Middle School sites and the proposed Oakdale Village MX project.

Eaglehead Drive is proposed to be extended past Oakdale High School to intersect with the TCC. Eaglehead Drive is then proposed to extend north from the TCC along the historic Eaglehead Drive road bed and will provide access to the North Land Bay.

The proposed Oakdale Village will also access the TCC as well as a small townhouse cluster located south of the West Land Bay.

Eaglehead Drive is ultimately planned to travel west around the south shore of Lake Linganore in order to intersect with Quinn Road.

Detailed Analysis of Findings and Conclusions

COMBINED ANALYSIS OF SUBDIVISION AND SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

Preliminary Subdivision Plan approval is granted based upon the requirements found in Chapter 1-16 of the Frederick County Code. Site Development Plan approval shall be granted based upon the criteria found in §1-19-3.300.4 Site Plan Review Approval Criteria as well as the PUD review criteria listed in §1-19-10.500 of the Frederick County Zoning Ordinance. In accordance with DRRA Section 2.3(E), the Applicant has provided a summary of the Linganore Town Center Community Design Guidelines based on the applicable Frederick County Community Design Guidelines and Development Principles.

SITE DEVELOPMENT

□ Land Requirements §1-16-217(A) & (B)

The land use pattern of the comprehensive development plan and the district regulations of the zoning ordinance shall form the basic theme of the design pattern of the proposed subdivision.

The designated land use in the County Comprehensive Plan for the site is Low Density Residential, which is designed to accommodate a mixture of low to medium intensity residential, commercial, or civic uses within Community Growth Areas. The gross density of the Project is five (5) dwellings units per acre and includes a variety of housing types permitted in the PUD zoning district, including 2-over-2 units,

multi-family apartments and condominiums, townhomes and single-family homes. The Project is designed with efficient transportation, access, connectivity, and internal circulation within an area indicated for growth and development on the Comprehensive Plan.

The subdivision design shall take advantage of the uniqueness of the site reflected by the topography, soils, the wooded areas, water bodies and the relationship to adjoining subdivisions and land uses, both proposed and existing.

The Project respects its orientation around the stream and its large floodplain area (including flooding soils and wetlands) and enhances these natural systems through Forest Resource Ordinance (FRO) mitigation plantings. The proposed development will be well integrated with surrounding land uses and future adjacent uses through complimentary vehicular and pedestrian connectivity. The Project adheres to the Linganore Watershed Protection Area water body buffer requirements as outlined in the DRRA. Although the Linganore Watershed Protection Area specific provisions, as adopted in ordinance 7-24-464 and expanded in ordinance 8-21-497 were subsequently deleted from the zoning ordinance, the DRRA subjects the Linganore PUD (including the Town Center) to these regulations.

□ Block Shape §1-16-218

The maximum block dimension shall be 1,800 feet.

No block dimension is greater than 1,800 feet. The Project provides for multiple housing styles and the location of open space creates variety in the arrangement and size of the various blocks throughout the development.

□ Lot Size and Shape §1-16-219

The size, width, depth, shape, orientation and yards of lots shall not be less than specified in the zoning ordinance for the district within which the lots are located and shall be appropriate for the type of development, the use contemplated and future utilities.

The Applicant is requesting Planning Commission approval of the development standards for lot area, lot width, front, side, and rear yard setbacks as allowed within the PUD district per section 1-19-10.500.9 as well as 1-19-10.500.6 (H) 2. In accordance with section 2.3(D) of the DRRA, maximum height for sfr units is 50' and 120' for multifamily structures. Maximum building footprint for sfr structures is 7,000 square feet, 4,000 square feet for townhouses, and 100,000 square feet for multifamily structures. The final height and size of all structures shall be determined by the Planning Commission at the time of Preliminary Plan or Site Plan Review process. The Applicant has submitted the following dimensional requirements for the FCPC for review and approval.

Lot Type	House		Front Porch		Height	
	Front	Rear	Side	From Street	Side	
Single Family Detached Front	20'	20'	5'	10'	5'	40'
Loaded (1)	(1)					
Townhouse Front (1) Loaded	20'	20'	5'	-	-	45'
Integral Garage	(1)					
Townhouse Rear Loaded	10'	20'	5'	-	-	45'
Integral Garage						
Townhouse Rear Detached	10'	5' (2)	5'	-	-	45'
Garage		20' (3)				
Townhouse Standard Surface	10'	20'	5'	-	-	45'
Parking						
Multi-Family 2/2 Condo	10'	20'	5'	-	-	55'
Multi-Family Apartment	10'	10'	10'	-	-	60'
Multi-Family Condo	10'	10'	10'	-	-	60'

- 1. 23' required setback from face of garage to lot side of sidewalk.
- 2. Rear BRL for detached garage.
- 3. Rear BRL for main structure.

The proposed dimensions do not exceed the maximums provided within the DRRA and enable the Applicant to provide for diversity in unit type while addressing environmental challenges on-site, foster design excellence and promote efficient land use and densities, provide for efficient street layout, building scale and orientation, and block configuration.

□ **Site Development §1-19-3.300.4 (A):** Existing and anticipated surrounding land uses have been adequately considered in the design of the development and negative impacts have been minimized through such means as building placement or scale, landscaping, or screening, and an evaluation of lighting. Anticipated surrounding uses shall be determined based upon existing zoning and land use designations.

The proposed development is situated within the Linganore Community Growth Area, surrounded by three public schools and lands planned for future commercial, employment uses and residential development.

Signage §1-19-6.320.11: The Project is proposing a community identification sign. The sign shall adhere to the requirements of Z.O. 1-19-6.320.11. The final design and placement of the sign will be subject to further review at the sign permit stage.

Landscaping §1-19-6.400: The Applicant has provided a landscaping plan in accordance with Z.O. Section 1-19-6.400. The plan proposes a mix of evergreens and deciduous trees. The site is designed with a variety of plant species.

The Applicant is requesting a modification to the landscape standards in order to reduce the planting panel width between the curb and sidewalk from the required 7 feet to 5 feet, and to permit the plantings of street trees in alternate locations in order to meet the required planting of 1 tree for every 35 feet of roadway frontage. Based on 31,625 +/- feet of public private roadway and the PUD street tree planting policy of 1 tree per 35 feet of road, the **total trees required is 31,625/35=904 trees**. The plan proposes 525 trees along public/private roads and parking areas, 216 trees within the HOA open space parcels, and 555 trees on-lot for a **total provided of 1,295 trees +/-.** In accordance with Zoning Ordinance Section 1-19-6.400, the Planning Commission may modify the general requirements and approve an alternate landscape plan that locates trees at alternate on-site locations due to physical site constraints.

The proposed 5 foot minimum landscaping panel provides an adequate area to promote the growth and maintenance of the street tree species specified on sheet 101 of 106. The Applicant has submitted an alternate planting design which wherever not in conflict with utilities (water/sewer/storm drain), streetlights or vehicle site distance, proposes to plant approximately 525 trees along both sides of the public and private roads at a spacing of approximately 60 feet, and at all other locations where there is a planting opportunity within the public right-of-way and private road parcel. The proposed alternate landscape design is necessary as a result of the conflicting goals and design policies of the various county agencies including CDD Planning, CDD Engineering, and DUSWM. The Applicant has proposed approximately 525 trees to be planted along the public right-of-way and private road parcel, the landscape plan also proposes approximately 216 trees within HOA open space parcels within the community, and approximately 555 additional evergreen and ornamental trees on-lot throughout the community. The Applicant has worked closely with Staff on the proposed alternate landscaping plan; therefore Staff is not opposed to these landscaping modifications.

The Applicant is also requesting a modification of the 20% canopy coverage requirement listed in Section 1-19-6.400.D.2 for Parcel 1, which is located at the corner of Old National Pike and Eaglehead Drive. The requested modification is to provide 15.65% of canopy cover over the proposed parking areas, rather than the required 20%. The remainder of the development complies with or exceeds the coverage requirements. The proposed alternate landscape design is necessary as a result of the conflicting goals and design policies of the various county agencies including CDD Planning, CDD Engineering, and DUSWM. The Applicant has worked with Staff on the proposed alternate landscaping plan; therefore Staff has no objections to the requested landscaping modification.

Lighting §1-19-6.500: The Applicant has prepared a lighting plan, in accordance with the requirements of Z.O. 1-19-6.500. All of the proposed street and site lighting shall contain cutoffs to minimize lateral and upward glare. The lighting plan adheres to the requirements of Z.O. Section 1-19-6.500.

<u>Findings:</u> Based upon the review and analysis as provided above, staff finds that the proposed application meets the subdivision regulations contained in Chapter 1-16 of the Frederick County Code. This project also meets the site plan review criteria in §1-19-3.300(A) as well as the PUD review criteria listed in §1-19-10.500 of the Zoning Ordinance. The project meets the regulations set forth in the Oakdale DRRA, dated 7/11/2013.

Conditions

• Approval of the Landscape Plan modification in accordance with Section 1-19-6.400.I in order to allow for flexible placement of street trees at a distance greater than 35' on center along the public and private roads throughout Linganore Town Center as well as the reduction of the planting panel width from curb to sidewalk down to 5 feet from the recommended 7 feet. The Applicant is also requesting a modification from the 20% canopy coverage requirement listed in Section 1-19-6.400.D.2 for Parcel 1 to provide 15.65% of canopy cover over the proposed parking areas, rather than the required 20%.

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

□ Street, Common Driveway and Sidewalk Construction§1-16-109

The project shall provide for the complete construction of street improvements, including drainage facilities as provided in §1-16-234 through §1-16-241 of the Subdivision Regulations and in

accordance with the Frederick County Design Manual.

The Plan proposes sidewalks 5-ft in width with well-placed and marked street crossings. The sidewalk network provides good internal pedestrian mobility as well as facilitates movement to and from adjacent land uses. Sidewalks are provided to link the Project to Oakdale High School, as well as pedestrian connections from the Project site into the proposed Oakdale Village site, which leads to the middle and elementary schools, via an existing sidewalk on the west side of the FCPS access lane.

□ Right of Way and Paved Surface Widths §1-16-235

Whenever a proposed subdivision includes or abuts streets designated on the Highway Plan section of the Comprehensive Plan, the Planning Commission shall require, by dedication to public use, adequate right-of-way for the coordination of roads within the subdivision with other existing, planned or platted roads.

The Comprehensive Plan depicts a general alignment of the Town Center Connector through the Town Center on the north side of Oakdale High School. This planned future minor-arterial roadway includes a 90-ft. right-of-way on which a divided road section will be built and an 80-ft. right-of-way, north of Phase 1.2, as shown on the proposed Plan. The 80-ft. right-of-way shall be labeled as "Reservation for future 80-ft Town Center Connector Right-of-Way, to be conveyed at no cost to those who construct it" on the final approved Combined Preliminary Plan/Site Development Plan and on final plats to be recorded. Future, detailed alignment studies for the Town Center Connector will determine the extent of this roadway's location on the Project site, which would be dedicated instead of reserved if those studies would be completed prior to final plat recordation.

The Project proposes both public roads and private streets and alleys. Right-of-way widths for all public roads are the standard for local roadways as indicated on the Comprehensive Plan. Public and private roads include pavement widths of 20ft., 21ft., 22 ft., and 28 ft. On-street, parallel parking dimensions measure 8 ft. by 22 ft. Private alleys are shown with 16 feet of paved travel surface.

Other Street Requirements. Development on Dead End Streets §1-16-236 (K):

- (K) Subdivisions on cul-de-sac or dead end streets shall be permitted only if approved by the Planning Commission (or county staff) in accordance with this division, the Design Manual, and the following provisions, as applicable:
- (1) For proposed development on new or existing cul-de-sac or dead end street(s), except existing dead end streets described in subsection (2) below, the following requirements apply:
- (a) Applicant must demonstrate the existence of site specific circumstances that make the design and development of a through street practically infeasible.
- (b) In the AG and R-1 zoning district, cul-de-sac or dead end street(s) shall not exceed 1,800 feet in length and shall not serve more than 30 lots, dwelling units, or parcels. The Planning Commission may approve development of a greater number of lots and/or on a longer cul-de-sac or dead end street if the Planning Commission considers the individual property characteristics and the goals and principles of § 1-16-234 as set forth below in § 1-16-236(K)(1)(c).
- § 1-16-236(K)(1)(c). the length of cul-de-sac or dead end street(s) may vary based on the density in the development section or land bay, property shape and size, topography, environmental constraints, lot size, unit types, and proposed land use. The density and length of cul-de-sac or dead end street(s) shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved on a case by case basis.

The Applicant has worked with Staff to develop a Phasing Plan which provides for two points of access for each development area, with the exception of the northern land bay. With the exception of the northern land bay, the Phasing Plan meets the intent of Section 1-16-236(K) and provides detailed construction timing for roadways and amenities improvements to ensure adequate access is provided to each land bay during the development of the proposed subdivision and surrounding projects.

The Applicant and Staff worked to develop a Phasing Plan that will provide two points of access for the proposed land bays as the Project moves forward through the development process. However, due to physical site constraints and the lack of approved or existing development, the Phase 3, North Land Bay as depicted on the Phasing Plan currently lacks a second point of access and will therefore be considered a dead end street system. The Applicant has proposed a total of 88 dwelling units to be constructed with within this land bay with access only to Eaglehead Drive North or a second public means of access. The proposed land bay would be accessed via a road crossing of the FEMA floodplain with no alternate means of access. Although the subdivision regulations allow the Planning Commission to approve the length of a dead end street system serving more than 30 lots, Staff recommends that no more than 30 lots should be recorded in this land bay prior to a second public vehicle connection being constructed and open to traffic.

□ Transportation and Parking §1-19-3.300.4 (B): The transportation system and parking areas are adequate to serve the proposed use in addition to existing uses by providing safe and efficient circulation, and design consideration that maximizes connections with surrounding land uses and accommodates public transit facilities. Evaluation factors include: on-street parking impacts, off-street parking and loading design, access location and design, vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian circulation and safety, and existing or planned transit facilities.

The site has access to the arterial road system with future, external connections to the Town Center Connector, Oakdale Village and Yeagertown Road via the proposed Hopewell Street as shown on the Plan. As proposed, the roadway connections to adjacent properties will be addressed as the Project moves forward to completion. The proposed road network within Linganore Town Center promotes interconnectedness, will link existing and planned road networks, promote safe and efficient circulation, will allow shared access and circulation between properties and implement the network as provided in the Comprehensive Plan.

Hopewell Street (West)

The proposed Hopewell Street is planned to travel west from the intersection at Eaglehead Drive along the northern side of the 12.8 acre commercial site. The dedication and financial guarantee of this western leg of Hopewell Street shall be concurrent with the development of the eastern leg of Hopewell, that connects Eaglehead Drive to Yeagertown Road. The Phasing Plan shows this western leg of the route with a brown dashed line.

As previously noted, the current alignment as proposed, will require approval from the Board of Education. County Staff is working with the Applicant and the Board of Education to obtain this approval. County Staff is of the opinion that this road connection is a critical component in the safe and efficient vehicle and pedestrian circulation for this Project, nearby development and the three schools. The connection will provide needed access to and from this development, the recently approved adjacent Oakdale Village residential development, and the nearby schools without traversing Old National Pike. Although the discussions with the Board of Education are on-going, the specific approval of the alignment has not been obtained at this point. Staff has worked with the Applicant to create phasing language to provide for this roadway connection as the Project moves forward. If the proposed right-ofway (<1 acre) as shown on this Preliminary Plan and Phasing Plan is available from Frederick County Board of Education, the Applicant will construct this roadway prior to issuance of any building permit for the 12.8 acre retail portion adjacent to Hopewell Street (west). If the proposed right-of-way is not available prior to occupancy of the retail adjacent to the road, 1) the County shall be responsible for obtaining right-of-way and utilizing the surety to construct the roadway, and 2) the Applicant would be required to obtain a full access intersection with Old National Pike. The guarantee will not be outstanding beyond the build out of the residential portion of the Project.

Staff strongly supports the construction of this through street, as it provides valuable connections within the southern portion of the Town Center to the Oakdale Village. This connection will ultimately lead into the existing Oakdale Middle and Elementary School campuses providing much needed redundancy during the peak hour traffic demands associated with three schools. The proposed Hopewell (West) connection will also align with Hopewell (East) connection to Yeagertown Road. This connection is extremely desirable in order to foster greater travel way redundancy in an area with a high amount of residential density, commercial square footage, and County education facilities, thus improving safety and efficiency by not causing the east-west traffic to have to use Old National Pike.

Parking. The Applicant is proposing a combination of on-street and on-lot parking to meet the intent of the Zoning Ordinance parking targets while also implementing the policy of counting 50% of garage space toward the required on-lot parking. As provided within the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Commission may grant an increase or reduction in the number of required parking spaces based on characteristics of the proposed use. Total required parking is 2,904.5 spaces: 340 required for single family residential, 1,124.5 required for all Multi-family (2-over-2 units/apartment and condo), and 1,440 required for townhomes. The Applicant has included a Parking Distribution Plan, which breaks down all of the required and proposed parking for the various units.

The Applicant is requesting several modifications to allow for the following:

1. To allow 246 of 1592 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the South Land Bay (including Parcel 1 and 2) to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and both public and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served. There are 82 surplus parking spaces in the overall South Land Bay area, predominately along Eaglehead Drive, this figure excludes the 186 spaces actually provided in garages and driveways not credited per the code.

- 2. To allow 49 of the 505 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the East Land Bay to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and both public and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served. There are 117 surplus parking spaces in the overall East Land Bay area, and an additional 152 spaces if you included the spaces actually provided in garages and driveways not credited per the code.
- 3. To allow 79 of the 220 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the North Land Bay to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served. There are 23 surplus parking spaces in the overall North Land Bay area, and an additional 47 spaces if you included the spaces actually provided in garages and driveways not credited per the code.

The parking strategy proposed by the application is consistent with similar communities being marketed and constructed currently in the region. The requested modifications will allow the Applicant to meet the above goals while still providing sufficient overall parking for the Project.

A modification from the required number of on-lot parking spaces per §1-19-6.220 of the Zoning Ordinance must be granted by the Planning Commission. Based on the proposed street network, diversity in unit type and density. Staff has no objection to the modification requests.

Parking Lot Standards Modification.

The Applicant is also requesting a modification to reduce the dimensions of a standard parking lot module within the multi-family units in Parcel 1 &2 from 60 feet to 58 feet to allow a reduction of the drive isle from 24 feet to 22 feet. The modification will enhance the neo-traditional community by reducing the areas of pavement which will provide additional green space as well as increase the amount of landscaping and trees throughout the project. The reduced pavement will also reduce the stress to the proposed stormwater management facilities, which will reduce operating costs and provide a longer maintenance cycle. Staff has no objection to the parking lot dimension modification request.

Conditions

- Approval of a modification from the required number of on-lot parking spaces per §1-19-6.220 of the Zoning Ordinance must be granted by the Planning Commission.
- Approval of a modification to reduce the dimensions of a standard parking lot module from 60 feet to 58 feet to allow a reduction of the drive isle from 24 feet to 22 feet.

PUBLIC FACILITIES AND UTILITIES--Findings

Public Facilities - Road Adequacy/Water and Sewer Facilities §1-16-12; Public Utilities §1-19-3.300.4 (C)Where the proposed development will be served by publicly owned community water and sewer, the facilities shall be adequate to serve the proposed development. Where proposed development will be served by facilities other than publicly owned community water and sewer, the facilities shall meet the requirements of and receive approval from the Maryland Department of the Environment/the Frederick County Health Department.

The subdivision has direct access to Old National Pike, an existing minor arterial on the County Comprehensive Plan with a paved surface width in excess of 20'. The subdivision will access Old National Pike via the existing Eaglehead Drive which is designated collector on the County Comprehensive Plan and constructed as a 4 lane divided roadway. The proposed subdivision is within the New Market Volunteer Fire/Rescue Company service area. Emergency services would access the subdivision via the existing Old National Pike.

The Linganore Town Center Combined Preliminary/Site Development Plan is subject to the APFO requirements as specified in the APFO LOU for Eaglehead—on-the-Lakes PUD, valid through 2038. The property is to be served by public water and sewer. The current water and sewer classification for the property is W-4/S-4. The site will be served by the New Design Water System and the Ballenger-McKinney Waste Water Treatment Plant for sewage treatment. A water and sewerage classification change to W-3/S-3 is currently on file with Frederick County (Case #WS-14-22) but has not yet been approved.

□ Parks §1-16-111

Per the Zoning Ordinance PUD regulations, the subdivision is required to provide a total of 72 acres of open space/green area. Per the subdivision regulations, the Project is required to provide 20.67 acres of parkland. As detailed in the Open/Green Space & Recreation Area Exhibit The Applicant is meeting this requirement by providing 103.6 acres of open space and 41.2 acres of recreation area. The subdivision regulations require that one half of the parkland recreation area requirement "shall be suitable for dry ground recreational use." The Applicant is providing 108.8 acres of open space, plus over 11 acres of flat, dry ground in open space throughout the proposed development.

Library Site: In accordance with Section 3.5 of the Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement (DRRA), the Applicant shall make reasonable efforts to work with the County in designing the Town Center so as to accommodate a County public library to be located in the area of the Town Center. Staff and the Applicant have had numerous discussions on potential locations and arrangements for a Town Center public library. Based on meetings between County Planning Staff, County Library Staff, and the Applicant, it has been determined that a library site is desirable. However, the specifics of location, size and ownership will be refined as the Project moves forward toward completion. The final details of the library site will be resolved during the site plan review process for the 12.8 acre commercial component of the Town Center. Staff will work with the Applicant to obtain a library site that meets the needs of the County, Library Staff, and the requirements of the DRRA.

NATURAL FEATURES--Findings

□ Land Requirements §1-16-217(B)

The subdivision design shall take advantage of the uniqueness of the site reflected by the topography, soils, the wooded areas, water bodies and the relationship to adjoining subdivisions and land uses, both proposed and existing.

The Project respects its orientation around the stream and its large floodplain (flooding soils) and wetland area and enhances these natural systems through Forest Conservation Act mitigation plantings. The proposed development will be well integrated with surrounding land uses and future adjacent uses through complimentary vehicular and pedestrian connectivity.

There are three fingers of NRCS Flooding Soils that run south from the northern tributary. Two of the fingers are Greenville loam 2 to 5 percent slopes (GvB), with the third as Roche loam 3 to 8 percent slopes (RoB).

The three fingers of flooding soils are located in the lowest areas of the site, this creates two principal areas of developable land which is comprised of slight to moderate slopes, with some areas of steep slopes. The two areas of developable land has a topographic elevation range of 430 feet at the far eastern side, to 520 as the land continues west, the abandoned Eaglehead Drive is at 400 feet elevation. The topography of the second developable area continues to rise out of the abandoned road bed to the west to a elevation height of 500 feet, then back down to 380 at the western property boundary.

The Project meets the requirements of the Linganore Watershed Protection Area waterbody buffer provisions.

□ Floodplain Developments §1-16-220

The site contains flooding soils and a portion of FEMA floodplain adjacent to the north land bay. These sensitive elements are outside of all lot development areas and are targeted areas for on-site Forest Conservation Act plantings. .

□ Natural features §1-19-3.300.4 (D)

Natural features of the site have been evaluated and to the greatest extent practical maintained in a natural state and incorporated into the design of the development. Evaluation factors include topography, vegetation, sensitive resources, and natural hazards.

The Project site has moderate to steep topographical gradients, but some leveling and grading of the contours is proposed, as is commonplace when converting and preparing land for residential development. The sensitive resources--stream, wetlands and flooding soils--are identified and targeted for protection and enhancement through on-site Forest Conservation Action plantings.

COMMON AREAS--Findings

□ Common Areas §1-19-3.300.4 (E)

If the plan of development includes common areas and/or facilities, the Planning Commission as a condition of approval may review the ownership, use and maintenance of such lands or property to ensure the preservation of such areas, property, and facilities for their intended purposes.

The project proposes multiple areas indicated for open space and they are strategically located and placed within the community. Three recreational "tot-lots" are also provided within the open space areas, as well as two proposed pools with clubhouses. Approximately 108-acres will remain undisturbed, planted with vegetation, and comprises the largest open space/common area in the Project. Proposed open space/common areas will be owned and maintained by the community's homeowners' association. Recreational amenities will be constructed as the Project moves forward and timed as provided in the Phasing Plan to correspond to development of specific land bays.

Other Applicable Regulations

Moderately Priced Dwelling Units – Chapter §1-6A: Per DRRA Section 4.1, The Applicant is subject the MPDU ordinance and will pay a Payment-in-Lieu amount as required.

Stormwater Management – Chapter §1-15.2: A stormwater management concept plan was approved on August 22, 2014 (AP 14679). Stormwater Development and Improvement Plans must be approved prior to final Preliminary Plan approval.

APFO – Chapter §1-20: This Combined Preliminary/Final Site Plan is subject to the APFO requirements as specified in the APFO LOU for Eaglehead-on-the-Lakes PUD, valid through 2038.

1. Schools. This application proposes 1,240 dwelling units and 200,000 square feet of commercial uses (subject to separate FCPC site development plan approval), which is less than the road and student generation intensity assumed in the LOU, where 1,500 dwelling units and 200,000 square feet of commercial uses were assumed. Therefore, this Project does not increase the previously density of the original LOU and is exempt from further testing or mitigation.

- 2. Water/Sewer. The property has a current Water and Sewerage Plan classification of W-4/Dev., S-4/Dev. A Water and Sewerage Plan amendment must be approved by Frederick County and the Maryland Department of the Environment for the proper water and sewer classification and for approval of water and sewer infrastructure improvement plans to connect the subject property to the public water and sewer system.
- 3. Roads. As stated above, this application proposes 1,240 dwelling units and 200,000 square feet of commercial uses (subject to separate FCPC approval), which is less than the road and student generation intensity assumed in the LOU, where 1,500 dwelling units and 200,000 square feet of commercial uses were assumed. Therefore, this Project does no increase the previously determined intensity of the original LOU and is exempt from further testing or mitigation.

Forest Resource - Chapter §1-21:

The Applicant has submitted a Forest Stand Delineation and Preliminary Forest Conservation Plan. The site contains 140.79 acres of existing forest. The Applicant proposes to clear 80.08 acres of forest and place the remaining 60.71 acres of forest into a FRO easement. The 60.71 acres is above the minimum 56.24 acre conservation requirement. In addition, 2.50 acres of forest planting is proposed within the Town center site. This planting is to mitigate for the proposed release of a 1.25 acre FRO easement on the Oakdale High School site. Additional forest plantings are shown on the FRO plan that will restore certain portions of the waterbody buffer.

The Applicant is proposing to remove 26 specimen tree (trees 30" or greater in diameter). Per 1-21-40 (B) of the FRO, nonhazardous specimen trees must be retained unless a modification is granted by the FcPc. All 26 specimen trees are in poor condition, exhibiting structural defects (cavities, decay, splits, breaks, significant dieback, etc) and are potentially hazardous. Hazardous trees may be removed without an FcPc modification. The remaining 32 specimen trees will be retained and protected. The Preliminary FRO plan must be approved prior to Preliminary Plan approval, and a Final FRO plan must be approved and the required FRO mitigation must be provided prior to applying for grading permits, building permits, or lot recordation, whichever is applied for first.

A 2006 Reciprocal Access Easement and Cooperation Agreement between Linganore Development Group, Land Stewards, and the Board of Education, their successors and assigns, stipulated that the 19.81 acre FRO mitigation requirement for the construction of Oakdale High School would be provided by the developer "by July 1, 2006, or such later time as may be permitted". The Applicant has agreed to provide the 19.81 acres of FRO mitigation and agreed to the following condition:

"The Applicant shall provide 19.81 acres of FRO easement area within the Lake Linganore region in accordance with the 2006 Reciprocal Access Easement and Cooperation Agreement recorded in the Land Records at L6267 F740. The 19.81 acres of FRO easement area shall be provided prior to the issuance of a grading permit or recordation of any plat on the Oakdale High School property and prior to the recordation of any lot within the Phase 2 portion of the Town center development."

Historic Preservation – Chapter §1-23: No historically significant structures or other resources are present on this site. This Application complies with the DRRA requirements of Section 2.3.G.

Summary of Agency Comments

Other Agency or Ordinance Requirements	Comment				
Development Review	Conditional Approval				
Engineering (DRE):					
Development Review	Hold: Address all agency comments as the plan proceeds				
Planning:	through to completion.				
State Highway	N/A				
Administration (SHA):					
Div. of Utilities and Solid	Approved				
Waste Mngt. (DUSWM):					
Health Dept.	N/A				
Office of Life Safety	Approved				
DPDR Traffic Engineering	Hold: Address all agency comments as the plan proceeds				
	through to completion.				
Historic Preservation	N/A				

RECOMMENDATION

Staff has no objection to conditional approval of the Combined Preliminary/Final Site Plan for 1,240 dwelling units on 240.8 acres.

If the Planning Commission conditionally approves the Combined Preliminary Subdivision/Site Development Plan, the Preliminary Plan is valid for the lesser of five (5) years from the date of Planning Commission approval or the period of APFO approval, and the Site Development Plan is valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of Planning Commission approval. Per the most recently approved Letter of Understanding (LOU) the APFO approval is valid until July 11, 2038. Therefore, the Preliminary Plan is valid until January 14, 2020 and the Site Development Plan is valid until January 14, 2018.

Based upon the findings and conclusions as presented in the staff report the application meets or will meet all applicable zoning, APFO, and FRO requirements once the following modifications are approved and conditions are met:

- 1. Address all agency comments as the plan proceeds through to completion.
- 2. No more than 30 lots shall be recorded in the North Land Bay prior to a second vehicle connection being constructed and open to traffic.
- 3. Modifications for the setbacks as listed in this staff report, and as represented of Sheet 1 of 106 and sheet 4 of 106.
- 4. Approval of the requested Landscaping modifications in accordance with 1-19-6.400 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 5. Approval of the requested Parking Space Number & Distribution modification in accordance with 1-19-6.220.B.2.
- 6. The Preliminary FRO plan must be approved prior to Preliminary Plan approval, and a Final FRO plan must be approved and the required FRO mitigation must be provided prior to applying for grading permits, building permits, or lot recordation, whichever is applied for first.

- 7. The Applicant shall provide 19.81 acres of FRO easement area within the Lake Linganore region in accordance with the 2006 Reciprocal Access Easement and Cooperation Agreement recorded in the Land Records at L6267 F740. The 19.81 acres of FRO easement area shall be provided prior to the issuance of a grading permit or recordation of any plat on the Oakdale High School property and prior to the recordation of any lot within the Phase 2 portion of the Town center development.
- 8. The proposed 12.8 acre commercial portion of this site as well as the 1.85 acre clubhouse and pool shall be subject to a separate Type I Planning Commission Site Development Plan approval process.
- 9. In accordance with Section 3.5 of the Developer's Rights and Responsibilities Agreement (DRRA) between Oakdale Investments, L.L.C and the Board of County Commissioners, the Applicant shall provide a library site within the Linganore Town Center in a size, location, and ownership acceptable to the County. A Memorandum of Understanding between the Applicant and the County specifying the size, location, and ownership of the library site shall be approved prior to final Combined Preliminary Subdivision/Site Development Plan approval. The proposed library shall be subject to a separate Type I Site Development Plan approval process.
- 10. The Applicant shall develop the subdivision (including roads and amenities construction) in accordance with the phasing plan as included in the Linganore Town Center Combined Preliminary Subdivision/Site Development Plan.
- 11. The Project is required to meet the MPDU provisions in accordance with the Frederick County Code.
- 12. Complete the requirements of the APFO LOU for the Eaglehead-on-the-Lakes PUD.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

MOTION TO APPROVE

I move that the Planning Commission **APPROVE** S-829 **with conditions** as listed in the staff report for the proposed 1,240 unit Linganore Town Center Planned Unit Development on a 240.8 acre site, based on the findings and conclusions of the staff report and the testimony, exhibits, and documentary evidence produced at the public meeting.

Exhibit #1: Site Plan Rendering: Linganore Town Center



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December 5, 2014

Mr. Tolson Desa Community Development Division Frederick County 30 N Market Street Frederick, MD 21701

Re: Linganore Town Center

Combined Plan Application A/P 14678

Modification Request RCI Project No. 0643Q

Dear Mr. Desa: 10/801.

On behalf of Oakdale Investments LLC, please accept this document as a formal request of the Planning Commission to approve modifications to Standard PUD Development Policy regarding the amount of parking spaces and distribution, lot dimensional standards, parking lot dimensional standards and landscape standards. We submit this modification request pursuant to Section 1-19-10.500.9(D) of the Zoning Ordinance, which grants the Planning Commission the authority to grant modifications as part of its approval of a Planned Unit Development Phase II plan, and in full conformance with the applicable provisions of Article VI of the Zoning Ordinance.

The parking modification request is based on the provisions of Section 1-19-6.220 (A) (1) of the County Zoning Ordinance, which states that the Planning Commission may approve modifications to the parking requirements if the applicant can demonstrate an acceptable alternative based on the characteristics of the proposed use and to allow for the creation and implementation of community specific design and development standards.

The request to modify the lot dimensional standards, parking lot dimensional standards, parking lot landscape coverage and street tree planting standards are based on the provisions of Section 1-19-10.500.9(D) of the County Zoning Ordinance, which states that as part of the Planned Development Phase II approval the Planning Commission may approve modifications to parking, loading, street design, landscaping, screening, buffering requirements, and general development standards as provided in 1-19-10.500.9(A).

We respectfully request the following modifications:

1. Parking Space Number & Distribution:

a. Modification to allow 246 of 1592 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the South Land Bay including Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and both public and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served.

- b. Modification to allow 49 of 505 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the East Land Bay to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and both public and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served.
- c. Modification to allow 79 of 220 required "on-lot" parking spaces of the North Land Bay to be located "off-lot" within the adjacent parcel and overall land bay area in the form of private parking bays and private streets fronting, or adjacent to the residential units being served.

Justification:

- The property is currently zoned PUD.
- The parking modification is necessary to allow the applicant and county to satisfy elements of the PUD Zone planning goals by meeting the community parking requirements through the implementation of sharing off-lot/on-street parking resources.
- There are 82 surplus parking spaces in the overall South Land Bay area, excluding the 186 spaces actually provided in garages and driveways not credited per the code.
- There are 117 surplus parking spaces provided in the East Land Bay, and an additional 152 spaces if you include the spaces actually provided in garages and driveways and adjacent roads not credited per the code.
- There are 23 surplus parking spaces provided in the North Land Bay, and an additional 47 spaces if you include the spaces actually provided in garages and driveways and adjacent roads not credited per the code.
- The parking modification will allow the applicant to achieve their planning goals by creating a
 desirable community consistent with the goals of the PUD Zone while providing alternative
 products that will respond to current market conditions.
- The parking strategy proposed by this application is consistent with similar communities being marketed and constructed in the region today.
- The requested modification will allow the applicant to meet the above goals while still providing sufficient overall parking for the project.
- The Planning Commission may modify the parking requirements to permit the provision of a reduction in parking spaces when an Applicant demonstrates that the parking needed for the proposed use and tenant requirements are met.

2. Lot Dimensional Standards:

Setbacks: Modification of the standard 25' front, 8' side and 25' rear to the following:

- Single family detached front load lot: 20' front, 20' rear, and 5' side.
- Town house with rear loaded detached garage: 10' front, 20' rear main structure, 5' rear detached garage, and 5' side.
- Townhouse with standard surface parking: 10' front, 20' rear, and 5' side.
- Town house with integral rear loaded garage: 10' front, 20' rear, and 5' side.
- Town House with front load integral garage: 20' front, 20' rear, and 5' side.
- Multi-Family 2/2 Condo: 10' front, 20' rear, 5' side.
- Multi-Family Apartment: 10' front, 10' rear, 10' side.
- Multi-Family Condo: 10' front, 10' rear, 10' side.

Building Heights: Modification to the 30' feet maximum building heights to:

•	Single family detached:	40 feet
•	Single family attached (town homes):	45 feet
٠	Multi-Family 2/2 Condo:	55 feet
٠	Multi-Family Apartment:	60 feet
٠	Multi-Family Condo:	60 feet

Justification:

- The property is currently zoned PUD.
- The modification request is consistent with the provisions identified in the MPUD Zone; Section 1-19-10.500.9 (D) As part of the Planned Development Phase II approval, the Planning Commission may approve modifications to parking, loading, street design, landscaping, screening, buffering requirements, and general development standards as provided in 1-19-10.500.9(A).
- The setback modification will allow the applicant to achieve their planning goals by creating a
 desirable community consistent with the goals of the PUD Zone while providing alternative
 products that will respond to current market conditions.
- The modifications requested allow for a superior layout of lots and open spaces, providing a
 more compact neighborhood which will have a strong pedestrian orientation given that all of
 the proposed homes will be within easy walking distance of all three public schools serving the
 neighborhood.
- The requested building heights are consistent with the products being marketed and constructed in the region today.
- The modifications requested are consistent with the communities and residential architecture being developed and constructed in the region today and will allow the applicant and county to achieve their planning goals by creating a desirable community consistent with the goals of the PUD Zone while providing alternative products that will respond to current market conditions.
- The modification provides for an improved design and furthers the above goals, which would not otherwise be possible without the modification.

3. Parking Lot Standards:

Modification to reduce the dimensions of a standard parking lot from 60 feet to 58 feet to allow a reduction of the drive aisle from 24 feet to 22 feet.

Justification:

- The property is currently zoned PUD.
- The modification will enhance the neo-traditional community by reducing the areas of pavement which will provide additional green space.
- The additional green space resulting from the reduction in paved area may be used to increase
 the amount of landscaping and trees which will enhance the aesthetics and create a more
 desirable and livable neighborhood.

- The reduction in impervious area will improve the water quality in the Lake Linganore Watershed which holds a MDE Stream Class Use IV-P designation.
- The reduction in impervious area will reduce the stress on the proposed stormwater management facilities and provide a longer maintenance cycle which will result in less maintenance costs to the owner (HOA).
- The reduction in paved area will require fewer utilities which will result in less construction cost, reduce maintenance cost to the owner (HOA) and may lower the housing costs.

4. Landscape Standards:

Modification to the landscape standards to reduce the planting panel width between the curb and sidewalk from the required 7 feet to 5 feet, and to permit the planting of street trees in alternate locations in order to meet the required planting of 1 tree every 35 feet of roadway frontage.

Justification:

- Section 1-19-6.400 of the Zoning Ordinance sets forth the general landscaping requirements
 applicable to PUDs, and states that street trees shall be provided along the property line
 adjacent to the paved surface of an existing or proposed public right of way in a planting area no
 less than 7 feet wide, and planted with shrubs or trees, which include at a minimum one tree at
 least 6 feet in height at the time of planting per 35 feet of roadway frontage.
- The Planning Commission may modify these general requirements and approve an alternate planting design that locates trees at an alternate on-site location due to physical site constraints.
- Section1-10-10.500.3 of the Zoning Ordinance requires PUDs to be compact, employing design principles that result in efficient consumption of land.
- The proposed 5 foot minimum landscaping panel provides an adequate area to promote the growth and maintenance of street tree species specified.
- The Applicant has submitted an alternate planting design which wherever not in conflict with
 utilities (water/sewer/storm drain), streetlights or vehicle sight distance, proposes to plant
 approximately 525 trees along both sides of the public & private roads at a spacing of
 approximately 60 feet, and at all other locations where there is a planting opportunity within
 the public right-of-way and private road parcel.
- The proposed alternate landscape design is necessary as a result of the conflicting goals and design policies of the various county agencies including CDD Planning, CDD Engineering and DUSWM as well as conflicting with the Zoning Ordinance Section 1.19-600.4.
- In addition to the approximately 525 trees proposed to be planted along public right-of-way and
 private road parcel, the landscape program also proposes approximately 216 trees within HOA
 open space parcels within the community, and approximately 555 additional evergreen and
 ornamental trees on-lot throughout the community.

5. Landscape Canopy Coverage:

Modification to reduce the parking lot landscape canopy coverage requirement of Parcel 1 from 20% canopy cover at maturity over parking areas to 15% canopy cover at maturity over parking areas.

Justification:

- Coverage compliance is met throughout the remainder of site meeting or exceeding the
 required coverage. Parcel 1 has 15.65% coverage, but cannot meet the requirement as a result
 of the conflicting goals and design policies of the various county agencies including CDD
 Planning, CDD Engineering and DUSWM
- The Planning Commission may modify these general requirements and approve an alternate
 planting design that locates trees at an alternate on-site location due to physical site constraints.
- Section1-10-10.500.3 of the Zoning Ordinance requires PUDs to be compact, employing design principles that result in efficient consumption of land.

Based on the justification provided and that the modifications requested are consistent with the rules and regulations provided in the Frederick County Zoning Ordinance, we look forward to your review and approval.

Sincerely,

Randall D. Frey, P.E.

Cc: Jason Wiley, Oakdale Investments, LLC

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